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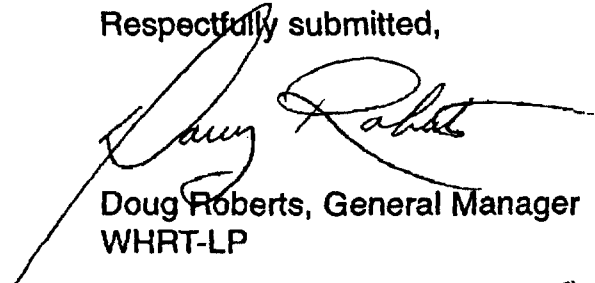
To: The Commission - Mail Stop 1170

REPLY COMMENTS OF WHRT-LP TV

We operate WHRT-LP, a low power television station in Murfreesboro, TN. The FCC's proposed digital allotment table will displace our station. If we are not able to find another channel, our local programming service to the public will be silenced. This is surely not in the public interest.

A description of our local programming is attached. We ask that the FCC not cause this service to end as a matter of public policy if not as a matter of law.

Respectfully submitted,


Doug Roberts, General Manager
WHRT-LP

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Local Television • UHF Channel 27
Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Locally Produced Programming

Murfreesboro Night & Day

A one-hour magazine format show airing at 10 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. weekdays. It is now in its 10th month of production, the show has taped over 225 programs and featured more than 500 local, regional and nationally known guests. Recognized for its local flavor, Murfreesboro Night and Day is enjoyed by a wide audience throughout Murfreesboro and Rutherford County.

Murfreesboro News Tonight

Murfreesboro and Rutherford County's only 30 minute local television newscast. Broadcast week-nights, 6:30 and 9:30, the newscast features local news, weather and sports. WHRT has a news staff, news anchors, and proving to be one of the mainstays of the station's programming.

Reflections with Gloria Christy

Noted local photographer and historian Gloria Christy takes our viewers back in to local history each week with her 60 minute program. Each show has at least three local guest and features dozens of historic photographs from Middle Tennessee. Since its first broadcast in September, 1996, our show has developed a local following and is a highlight of our local shows. Reflections is broadcast each Tuesday at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 11:30 a.m.

High School Game of the Week

Each week, beginning each September, the WHRT "Road Crew" tapes a local high school football game for viewers to enjoy. In December the crew switches to the basketball season and continues through March. Our area has a half dozen high schools, so our viewers are always treated to a game of high interest. Each game is taped in its entirety and telecast twice weekly, Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 pm. Each telecast is in 2 1/2 hours in length.

Inside Murfreesboro Football/Basketball

Whrt presents our own high school coaches show each throughout the football and basketball season. Each show is one hour in length and features the coaches of all area high schools, video footage of previous games and predictions for upcoming games. Each show is telecast three times, Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m., Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. and Fridays at 5:30 p.m. this show is hosted by WHRT's Sports Director Steve Effler and is widely viewed by parents, grandparents and students alike.

Rutherford Commission Telecasts

In April, 1996, the Steering Committee of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to have WHRT Television telecast their monthly County Commission meetings. Since that time, our crews have taped and telecast each monthly meeting, some as long as five hours. Each meeting is telecast at 10 a.m. Saturdays (or following our ball game) and again on Mondays at

7 p.m. following each meeting.

MTSU Telecourse Shows

Sundays at 2 p.m. WHRT telecast four hours of educational programming produced by our own local university, Middle Tennessee State University. Viewers can earn college credit in various subjects from these tele-courses. The program includes Literary Visions, Living with Health, Nutrition Pathways, and Newswriting. Telecourses are a weekly feature from 2 until 6 p.m. every Sunday.

ENT

WHRT's own JOe Legge host his weekly 30 minute program reviewing the movies showing in our local theatres. The show features clips from the motion pictures as well as information regarding family values for each picture. ENT is telecast each Thursday at 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 12:30 p.m.

In The Box

Each week WHRT TV brings local bands into the studio and tapes the best of our local live music scene. Local Bands get free exposure to thousands of households and our local viewers get to see the latest in the local music scene. In the Box is popular with our younger viewers and is telecast twice, 30 minutes each Thursday at 7 p.m.



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CST	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
6:00 am	Cartoon Classics (c)	Cartoon Classics (c)	Cartoon Classics (c)	Cartoon Classics (c)	Cartoon Classics (c)	Raceline (c)	Deerhunting Hour
6:30 am	Night 5	Night 5	Night 5	Night 5	Night 5	American Adventurer (c)	Bible Answers
7:00 am	Day (a)	Day (a)	Day (a)	Day (a)	Day (a)	Paid Program	Awakening Hour
7:30 am	Cartoon Carnival (b)	Cartoon Carnival (b)	Cartoon Carnival (b)	Cartoon Carnival (b)	Cartoon Carnival (b)	Webwired (c)	Paid Program
8:00 am	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Am. Home Repair (c)	Texas Angler (c)
8:30 am	Jack Benny (c)	Make Room for Daddy (c)	Trouble with Father (c)	Martin Kane (c)	Dragnet (c)	High School	Fishing N. America (c)
9:00 am	Morning Movie (c)	Morning Movie (c)	Morning Movie (c)	Morning Movie (c)	Morning Movie (c)	Games	Southern Showcases (c)
9:30 am	"	"	"	"	"	"	S. Texas Sportsman (c)
10:00 am	"	"	"	"	"	"	Nixons Fishing Lesson (c)
10:30 am	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Week (a)	Fishing University (c)
11:00 am	Hopalong Cassidy (c)	Judge Roy Bean (c)	Lone Ranger (c)	Jim Bowie (c)	Cisco Kid (c)	Cartoon (c)	Ultimate Deerhunting (c)
11:30 am	Western Theatre (c)	Western Theatre (c)	Western Theatre (c)	Western Theatre (c)	Western Theatre (c)	Reflections (a)	Paid Program
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12:30 pm	"	"	"	"	"	F.N.T. (a)	"
1:00 pm	Movie Matinee (c)	Movie Matinee (c)	Movie Matinee (c)	Movie Matinee (c)	Movie Matinee (c)	Western	"
1:30 pm	"	"	"	"	"	Double	"
2:00 pm	"	"	"	"	"	Feature (c)	"
2:30 pm	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
3:00 pm	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	"	"
3:30 pm	Children's Room (c)	Children's Room (c)	Children's Room (c)	Children's Room (c)	Children's Room (c)	Paid Program	"
4:00 pm	Gerbert (c)	Gerbert (c)	Gerbert (c)	Gerbert (c)	Gerbert (c)	Country Music	"
4:30 pm	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Countdown (c)	"
5:00 pm	Newsport Tonight (b)	Newsport Tonight (b)	Newsport Tonight (b)	Newsport Tonight (b)	Newsport Tonight (b)	Newsport	"
5:30 pm	Lonely Chef (b)	Lonely Chef (b)	Inside the Box	Lonely Chef (b)	Inside the Box	Scoreboard (c)	"
6:00 pm	Jack Benny (b)	Make Room for Daddy (b)	Basketball (a)	Martin Kane (b)	Basketball (a)	Extreme	Sunday
6:30 pm	News Tonight (a)	News Tonight (a)	News Tonight (a)	News Tonight (a)	News Tonight (a)	Wrestling (c)	Night
7:00 pm	Western (b)	Reflections (a)	High School	"	"	Prime	Movie (c)
7:30 pm	Theatre	"	Games	"	"	Boxing (c)	"
8:00 pm	"	Crime Ed	"	Inside the Box	"	"	"
8:30 pm	Webwired (b)	Paid	"	Basketball (a)	"	"	Paid Program
9:00 pm	Fox Sports (b)	Fox Sports (b)	Week (a)	Fox Sports (b)	Fox Sports (b)	Fox	Fox
9:30 pm	News Tonight (a)	News Tonight (a)	News Tonight (a)	News Tonight (a)	News Tonight (a)	Sports (c)	Sports (c)
10:00 pm	Night 5	Night 5	Night 5	Night 5	Night 5	Power Play (c)	Sounds of Soul (c)
10:30 pm	Day (a)	Day (a)	Day (a)	Day (a)	Day (a)	Power Play (c)	Sounds of Soul (c)
11:00 pm	Fox Sports (b)	Fox Sports (b)	Fox Sports (b)	Fox Sports (b)	Fox Sports (b)	Total Entertainment (c)	Fastrack to Fame (c)
11:30 pm	"	"	"	"	"	Paid Program	Paid Program

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